

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2630
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Subsidy Arrears
Somaiya Dr. Kirit

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether the fertilizer companies are facing financial crunch due to non- payment of subsidy arrears to them and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the quantum of the total arrears till January, 2017;
- (c) whether due to this, there will be shortage of fertilizers in the country; and
- (d) the measures taken by the Government towards payment of fertilizer subsidy to fertilizer companies?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS SHIPPING AND CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS
(SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

- (a) : Madam, the Government is releasing subsidy to the fertilizers companies on regular basis as per availability of budget.
- (b) : The quantum of total subsidy arrears of fertilizer companies till January 2017 is at Annexure -I.
- (c) : No, Madam. There is adequate availability of fertilizers in the country.
- (d) : The following measures are taken towards payment of fertilizer subsidy to Fertilizer Companies:
 - i. Allocation of Annual Budget under various subsidy schemes and regular review of fund position.
 - ii. Whenever shortage of funds is noticed, the Government arranges loans under a Special Banking Arrangement (SBA) with consortium of Public Sector Banks to liquidate the subsidy claims.
